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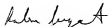
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The reply filed on October 10, 2003 is not fully responsive to the prior Office Action because of the following omission(s) or matter(s): Applicants' amendment fails to comply with the provisions of 37 CFR 1.121, in that cancelled claims 5 and 7 have been improperly reinstated and denoted as "Original" claims. To be in compliance with the rule, the status of the cancelled claims must be set forth in parentheses as "Canceled". Currently, it cannot be determined if these claims are to be further examined on the merits. Furthermore, the amendment further fails to comply with 37 CFR 1.121, because a complete listing of all claims has not been provided; claims 9 and 10 have not been listed within the amendment. See 37 CFR 1.111. Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be *bona fide*, applicant is given **ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS** from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. **EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).**

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